



House of Representatives

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House Bill No. 5456

House of Representatives, April 2, 2007

The Committee on Environment reported through REP. ROY, R. of the 119th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the House, that the bill ought to pass.

AN ACT REQUIRING THE ISSUANCE OF DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION HUNTING, FISHING AND TRAPPING LICENSES AND PERMITS VIA THE INTERNET.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) The Commissioner of
2 Environmental Protection shall permit qualified applicants to obtain
3 hunting, fishing and trapping licenses and permits authorized under
4 title 26 of the general statutes via the Department of Environmental
5 Protection's Internet web site. Said commissioner shall, not later than
6 December 31, 2007, establish and implement procedures for such
7 applicants to obtain such licenses and permits via the department's
8 Internet web site.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	New section
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ENV *Joint Favorable*

The following fiscal impact statement and bill analysis are prepared for the benefit of members of the General Assembly, solely for the purpose of information, summarization, and explanation, and do not represent the intent of the General Assembly or either chamber thereof for any purpose:

OFA Fiscal Note**State Impact:**

Agency Affected	Fund-Effect	FY 08 \$
Department of Environmental Protection	GF - Cost	400,000- 500,000

Note: GF=General Fund

Municipal Impact: None**Explanation**

The bill requires the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) to establish and implement a procedure to allow applicants to obtain hunting, fishing, and trapping licenses and permits over the internet by December 31, 2007. The DEP currently has a contract in the signature process with a vendor and the Department of Information and Technology to begin development of an automated sportsmen's licensing system. In order to meet the December 31, 2007 deadline in this bill, additional resources estimated at \$400,000-\$500,000 will be required to enable the contractor to devote additional resources to this project.

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None

OLR Bill Analysis**HB 5456*****AN ACT REQUIRING THE ISSUANCE OF DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION HUNTING, FISHING AND TRAPPING LICENSES AND PERMITS VIA THE INTERNET.*****SUMMARY:**

This bill requires the Department of Environmental Protection's commissioner to allow qualified applicants to obtain authorized hunting, fishing, and trapping licenses and permits via the department's Internet web site. The commissioner must establish and implement procedures to allow applicants to do so by December 31, 2007.

EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon passage

COMMITTEE ACTION

Environment Committee

Joint Favorable

Yea 31 Nay 0 (03/14/2007)